

A close-up photograph of a basket filled with fresh, colorful vegetables. The scene is dominated by various types of tomatoes, including large green ones, bright red ones, and yellow-orange ones. There are also sliced red onions and several radishes with their green leafy tops. The lighting is bright, highlighting the textures and colors of the produce.

August 2013

Tomato Tasting

- Thanks to all that made this happen!
- Tomato pickers, slicers and suppliers!



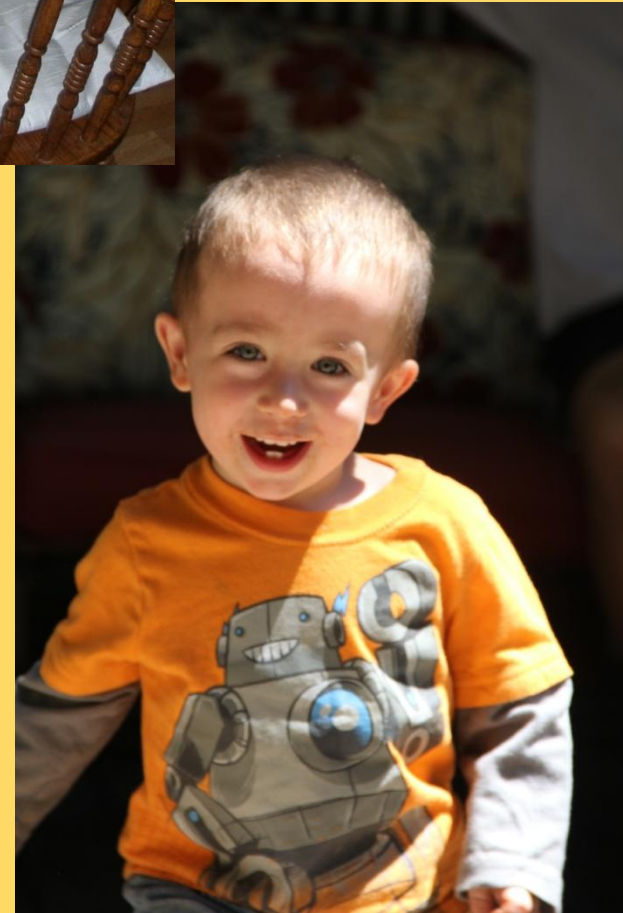
Dinner Crew

- A big thank you to the hospitality committee for organizing tonights salad potluck and to the prep crew



- Speaker
 - Buck Bandy







Clothing Order

- Email went out this week
- Look under collaborative tools
- Order forms and money needs to be in by Aug 28th to get them in time for the SGC
- Checks to Marcy Sousa
- Blank forms in the back



Smart Gardening Conference

- Volunteers shifts –
Email will be coming soon with assigned shifts based on survey results
- Attending as a volunteer vs. non volunteer
- Advertising (flyers, web-link)



San Joaquin UC Master Gardeners

Smart Gardening CONFERENCE 2013

- Growing California Natives
- Gardening for Pollinators
- Edible Heirlooms
- Starting & Propagating Plants
- Preserving Your Garden's Bounty
- Less Toxic Garden Chemicals
- Water Efficient Landscape Tips
- Learning Landscape Walk & Talk

Smart Gardening Conference
Saturday September 28, 2013 • 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
at the
Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center
2101 E Earhart Avenue, Stockton 95206

Space is limited so reserve your spot today!
Register today and learn some easy and practical ways to make your landscape sustainable from Master Gardener experts who are trained to help you create a healthier garden and yard. Choose from 8 class topics!

Cost is \$20.00 (includes lunch)

For more info call 953-6112 or visit our web-site at <http://sjmastergardeners.ucdavis.edu>



SGC

- Need demo garden team members that are interested in teaching, leading tours and developing the “talk” SGC participants will hear
- Add your name to sign up sheet if interested. Need to meet next week!

MG Hotline Office

- Sheila – Update
- 2013 MGs are all getting to experience the office (minimum of 2 times)



2014 Workshops

- Topics have been selected
- Survey for titles will be closing this week – winner will be announced at the September meeting
- Speakers will be notified early next week

Workshop topics

- January - Greenhouse and plant propagation
- February - Heirloom Vegetables (Basic Veg gardening included)
- March - Cutting Garden (flowers for a cutting garden- how to)
- April - Gardening for life – Ergonomics
- May -Food storage, picking, safety (how to pick a ripe melon, how to store tomatoes)
- June - Being Bee Friendly
- July - Seed Saving
- August - Shade Gardening (Include moon gardening)
- September - Floral Design and Arranging
- October - UC Tools and Resources
- November - Pruning Chores

Manteca Pumpkin Fair

- October 5th and 6th
- Info booth
- 2 shifts per day
- Shifts will be added to the calendar soon



Dinner Volunteer Shifts

- Began in July
- Shifts will be added each month to calendar for dinner helpers & post meeting clean-up
- Check lists for both shifts will be available

MG Contact Info

- Please make sure to fill out the form to update your info
- New MGs please fill out the form with the info you would like included
- Need a new picture? I have my camera!
- Soon as its updated I will be posting it online.

Monthly meeting speakers needed

- September – Manteca (Small space gardening)
- October – Big Valley Winners – Both locations
 - Have a powerpoint to use/update/personalize
- November: What went wrong and how to fix it
 - Both Locations – No PowerPoint yet

MG Business Cards

- MG Business cards
- Personalize with your contact info
- On the back table – please take a stack with you

What's Growing On Winner

- Kathy Ikeda!
- Starting with the July/Aug we will have a contest for those that actually ready the newsletter.
- Details of how to enter will be in the newsletter
- Winners will be announced at the monthly meetings following the newsletter being published.

Volunteer Hour Recognition

- 250

- Cherie S
- Karen T.
- Lynne G.
- Rita C.
- Linda D.
- Harry O
- Leslie O

- 500

- Lani E
- Heather H
- Steve S
- Sheila B
- Susan P
- Corinne B
- Don A

- 1000

- Sharon M
- Lee Miller

Sac MGS Harvest Fair

- Saturday August 3 8 am to 2 pm
- Fair Oaks Horticulture Center
11549 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Fair Oaks
- http://ucanr.org/sites/sacmg/Harvest_Day/
- **Who went and what did you think?**



Get Smart About Your Controller

- September 5th 8-2
- Maidu Center, Roseville
- \$25.00 includes lunch
- Register by August 28th!
- Counts as CE units
- Includes hands on water audit

Sunshine Committee



- Sunshine card leader –
Janet Swanson: onehorse2@aol.com
If you have anyone that you think would like/needs a card (cheer, sympathy, congrats, get well) please let her know.
- You can also fill out info at the monthly meetings when you sign in.

September meeting

- Dessert theme will be “apples”
- Sign up on the sheet in the back and you will be contacted by a hospitality committee member
- Speaker will talk about Asian Citrus Psyllid and the threat in CA (Its already here!)



Any Other Announcements?

- MFP
- Hospitality Committee